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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Gurney et al.

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For: Alzheimer's Disease Secretase, APP Substrates  
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Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

### STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the attorney named below be advised of the status of the above-identified application. The application is entitled to special status and advancement out of turn by virtue of its being pending for more than five years based on its relation to a 1998 priority application. (See MPEP 707.02 and 708.01 (I).) Please advise us of when we might expect to receive an Office Action from the Patent and Trademark Office.

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